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The above information is presented so that the Patent and Trademark Office can, in the first instance, determine any materiality thereof to the claimed invention. See 37 CFR 1.104(a) concerning the PTO duty to consider and use any such information. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the documents cited in the attached Form PTO-1449 be made of record therein and appear on the first page of any patent to issue therefrom.

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The items referenced herewith are not necessarily admitted to be prior art to the present application and Applicant reserves the right to challenge their availability as references.

Document Numbers DE4027904 and 2000-32626 were cited as X references by the European Patent Office.

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